

(Approved)
MINUTES OF THE
PUBLIC EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE
Wednesday, October 18, 2017 • 8:30 a.m. • 445 State Capitol

Members Present:

Sen. Lyle W. Hillyard, Senate Chair
Rep. Daniel McCay, House Chair
Rep. Robert M. Spendlove, House Vice Chair
Sen. J. Stuart Adams
Sen. Lincoln Fillmore
Sen. Jani Iwamoto
Sen. Ann Millner
Sen. Howard A. Stephenson
Sen. Jerry W. Stevenson
Rep. Patrice M. Arent
Rep. Joel K. Briscoe
Rep. LaVar Christensen
Rep. Steve Eliason

Rep. Justin L. Fawson
Rep. Francis D. Gibson
Rep. Bradley G. Last
Rep. Karianne Lisonbee
Rep. Jefferson Moss
Rep. Susan Pulsipher
Rep. V. Lowry Snow

Members Absent:

Sen. Daniel W. Thatcher

Staff Present:

Ms. Jill L. Curry, Fiscal Analyst
Mr. Ben Leishman, Fiscal Analyst
Karen C. Allred, Committee Secretary

Note: A copy of related materials and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at www.le.utah.gov.

Chair Hillyard called the meeting to order at 8:45 a.m., and announced that Sen. Daniel Thatcher has asked to be excused.

Chair Hillyard explained that the subcommittee will deep dive into the Related to Basic School Programs. He also announced that Dr. Jill Curry will be leaving the Fiscal Analyst Office and appreciates her service to this committee.

1. Educator Salary Adjustments

Mr. Ben Leishman, Fiscal Analyst, gave a power point presentation on Educator Salary Adjustments and the recommended Legislative action.

1-PED - Appropriations Decision Tree

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2-Educator Salary Adjustments

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Sen. Fillmore, Rep. Gibson, Rep. Christensen, and Sen. Stephenson, raised questions for Mr. Leishman concerning Educator Salary Adjustments.

Mr. Scott Jones, Deputy Superintendent of Operations, State Board of Education, introduced Ms. Natalie Grange, Assistant Superintendent, State Board of Education, and Ms. Grange made comments on Educator Salary Adjustments.

Mr. Todd Hauber, Business Administrator, Park City School District, gave comments on Educator Salary.

Chair Hillyard, Sen. Stevenson, and Rep. McCay, had questions and comments, with responses from Mr. Hauber, Ms. Grange and Mr. Jones.

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Superintendent Steve Norton, Cache County School District, gave a comment on the incentives for educator salary in his school district. Ms. Grange commented on a legal compliance guide related to Educator Salary.

There was public comment by Mr. Jay Blain, Director of Policy and Research, Utah Education Association, followed by discussion from Rep. Fawson, Rep. Briscoe, Rep. Christensen, Rep. Pulsipher, and Rep. Last.

Dr. Sydnee Dickson, State Superintendent, gave comments on the reporting system related to Educator Salary.

Rep. McCay explained that the purpose of the deep dive is to make note of recommendations to be put on a list for further discussion.

MOTION: Rep. McCay moved to put the Educator Salary Adjustments Program on a list of items for further discussion and possible reallocation during the General Session.

Rep. McCay spoke to his motion and Rep. Christensen, Rep. Gibson, and Rep. Briscoe made comments.

Rep. McCay's motion to put Educator Salary Adjustments Program on the list for further discussion at the next meeting and possible reallocation. passed with a vote of 16-0-5.

Yeas-16

Sen. J. Adams
Rep. P. Arent
Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. L. Christensen
Rep. J. Fawson
Sen. L. Fillmore
Sen. L. Hillyard
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Rep. B. Last
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. D. McCay
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. R. Spendlove
Sen. H. Stephenson
Sen. J. Stevenson

Nays-0

Absent-5

Rep. S. Eliason
Rep. F. Gibson
Sen. A. Millner
Rep. V. Snow
Sen. D. Thatcher

Mr. Leishman gave a powerpoint presentation on Matching Funds for School Nurses. Rep. Arent raised a question for Mr. Leishman.

2. Teacher Salary Supplement

3. Matching Fund for School Nurses

Mr. Leishman gave a powerpoint presentation on Matching Fund for School Nurses.

4-Matching Fund for School Nurses

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Rep. Arent asked a question about the matching funds. Mr. Leishman responded.

Ms. Betty Sue Hinkson, State School Nurse Consultant, Utah Department of Health, responded to Rep. Arent's question and made comments on the Matching Fund for School Nurses. Ms. Grange also made comments on School Nurses.

Chair Hillyard, Sen. Stephenson and Rep. Christensen made comments on School Nurses with responses from Ms. Hinkson and Ms. Grange.

Rep. McCay asked the committee if School Nurses is being funded properly at the State level, or should it be funded at a District level. Chair Hillyard responded that another option is to fund it in the WPU. Sen. Fillmore, Sen. Iwamoto, Sen. Stephenson, Rep. Arent, and Rep. Snow, responded with comments and questions.

MOTION: Sen. Fillmore moved to approve the minutes of September 19, 2017. The motion passed with a vote of 15-0-6.

Yeas-15

Rep. P. Arent
Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. L. Christensen
Rep. J. Fawson
Sen. L. Fillmore
Sen. L. Hillyard
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. D. McCay
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. V. Snow
Rep. R. Spendlove

Nays-0

Absent-6

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Sen. H. Stephenson

Sen. J. Stevenson

4. K-3 Reading Improvement

Mr. Leishman discussed the powerpoint presentation on the K-3 Reading Improvement Program.

5-K-3 Reading Program

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Rep. Arent made comments concerning the K-3 Reading Program.

Ms. Jennifer Thronson, English Language Arts Coordinator, State Board of Education and Ms. Sara Wiebke, Elementary Language Arts Specialist, State Board of Education, discussed the K-3 Reading Program.

Chair Hillyard and Rep. Snow raised questions with responses from Ms. Grange and Ms. Thronson.

Ms. Sarah Krebs, District Literacy Coordinator, Cache County District and Superintendent Norton made comments on the K-3 Reading Program.

Rep. McCay asked for the thoughts of the committee for the K-3 Reading Program. Rep. Snow, Rep. Fawson, Chair Hillyard, Rep. Last, responded with comments on this program. Responses to comments were given by Mr. Leishman, Ms. Krebs, Ms. Thronson and Superintendent Norton.

MOTION: Rep. McCay moved to move the K-3 Reading Improvement program on the list of items for further discussion and possible reallocation in the General Session

Discussion on motion from Rep. Christensen, Rep. Pulsipher, Chair Hillyard, Sen. Stephenson, Rep. Briscoe, Rep. Last and Rep. Snow

Rep. McCay summarized his motion.

Rep. McCay's motion to move the K-3 Reading Improvement program on the list of items for further discussion and possible reallocation passed with a vote of 16-0-5.

Yeas-16

Rep. P. Arent

Rep. J. Briscoe

Rep. L. Christensen

Rep. S. Eliason

Nays-0

Absent-5

Sen. J. Adams

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5. Flexible Allocation

This agenda item was not considered.

6. 10:15 a.m. Basic School Program - Class Size Reduction

This agenda item was not considered.

7. Early Intervention (Optional Extended-Day Kindergarten)

This agenda item was not considered.

8. Other Business

Chair Hillyard made a final comment.

MOTION: Rep. McCay moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 16-0-5.

Yeas-16

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Rep. J. Briscoe
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Sen. L. Fillmore
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Chair Hillyard adjourned the meeting at 11:19 a.m..